reonth has been 80.

WEATHER BULLETIN: WEATHER BUREAU. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE | WICHITA, Kan. July 27, 1893. | Forecast for Wichita and vicinity.

Pair and warmer Friday. During the past twency-four hours the During the past twenty-four nours the highest temperature was 34, the lowest 66, and the mean 80, with a moderate thunderstorm and very heavy rain, 1.75 duelists met in a pasture on the farm of Colonel Macey, a well known turfman. Two shots were fired from revolvers at two shots were fired and a trace of rain at 4:15 p. m. The average temperature thus far this

For the past five years the average temperature for the month of July has teen 78, and for the 27th day 79. FRED L. JOHNSON, Observer.

WASHINGTON, July 27. - Following is the forecast up to 8 p. m. Friday: Missouri-Thunder storms im northern

portion, rising temperature during the day, followed by cooler in the evening; southerly, shifting to westerly winds. Kansas-Fair, except probably showers

and thunderstorms in northern portion; sular railway system to the Plant Investcooler southerly, shifting to

BASEBALL AT BROOKLYN.

and Taylor. AT WASHINGTON.

Washington. 0 0 0 2 1 1 0 040-New York 0 1 0 0 5 0 1 0 *--Basehits-Washington, 9; New York, 13. Errors-Washington, 7; New York, 3. Bat-teriee-Washington, Meekin and Farrell; New York, Doyle and Baldwin.

AT CINCINNATI.

AT ST. LOUIS.

Basehits—St. Louis, 8; Cleveland, 14. Errors—St. Louis, 9; Cleveland 2; Bat-teries—St. Louis, Gunson and Breiten-stein; Cleveland, O'Conner and Clarkson. AT LOUISVILLE.

AT BOSTON.

Basehits—Boston, 6; Baltimore, 7. Errors—Boston, 2; Baltimore, 4. Balteries—Boston, Ganzel and Staley; Baltimore, Hawke and Clarke.

Basehits—Boston, 9; Baltimore, 6, Er-rors—Boston, 3; Baltimore, 6, Batteries— Boston, Ganzei and Stivetts; Baltimore, Clarke and McMahon.

After a night with the boys Yours for a clear head—Bromo-Seltzer. WHEAT LOWER.

CHICAGO, July 27 .- Wheat again broke the record for low prices today. For a time a confident feeling ruled and prices went up 1 cents. After selling at 66% cents for September and 73% cents for De cember, the feeling began to weaken on free selling and reported cooler weather and rains in the northwest, and finally touched 65% cents. At this point a regular panic set in. One of the leading houses began to offer wheat in large blocks. The panic was stributed to a rumor that the Chicago banks were about to issue clearing house certificates, and that the banks had begun to call in their loans on wheat. September went off with a rush, falling to 65 cents, the lowest price at the month the fact yet touched, and December to 71% cents, also breaking the record. There was a torce, 1,500 hand work and of December to 73% cents. September declined to 65% cents and December to 73% cents. September declined to 65% cents and December to 71% cents, where it closed. Corn was keen and lower on reports of general rains in the corn belt and the break in wheat. The chief feature of the oats market was the chief feature of the oats market was a break of 2 cents in the price of cash nats. Other deliveries were easier. Pro-visions were again weaker and 15 to 25

A BRUTE SHOT.

CITY OF MEXICO, July 27 .- Colonel Jose Andrade, who during the administration of the late Manuel Gonzas, governor o Guanajato, was in charge of the Piedra Gorda district in that state, was arrested forda district in that state, was arrested a few days ago upon the charge of committing a number of atrocious crimes in his official capacity, it being alleged that he had shot a number of innocent persons without trial. Upon being arrested, Andrade was taken to Leon, where he was tried, found guilty and sentence was pronounced the prisoner said that he was ready to meet his fate and would demonstrate that he was no coward. He was strate that he was no coward. He was shot at daylight in a public part of the city. The execution was witnessed by hundrage of results.

THE HELENA BANKS SOUFFZED HELENA, Mont., July 27.-The First National and the Montana National banks failed to open their doors this meening. In consequence a run on the other banks of the city quickly commenced. The two closed banks have ample assets, but cannot realize on them. The capital stock of the First National bank is \$500,000 and it has a surplus of \$100,000, undivided profits of \$60,000 and deposits of \$3,250,000. The Montana National also has a capital of \$500,000, with a surplus of \$100,000. surplus of \$100,000, undivided profits of \$100,000 and average deposits of \$1.500,000. The run on the other banks was soon confined principally to the Merchants' National bank. The depositors at this bank was sooned. re paid promptly, and the officers are offident that they will be able to stand

The pleasant effect and perfect safety with which ladies may use the California liquid laxative Syrup of Figs, under all ditions, makes it their tavorite rem edy. To get the true and genuine article look for the name of the California Fig Syrup Co., printed near the bottom of the

TURF WINNERS

CLEVELAND, July 27.-Hal Dillard wor the 244 class pacing race. Paul was second Best time 242 Direct's Flower won the 240 class trotting race for 2-year-obls. Red Bad was second. Best time 220 Little Albert won the free-for-all trotting race. Walter E. was second. Best time 240 clard won the 250 clard. 2:10. Ellard won the 2:18 class trotting race. Lee's Pilot was second. Best time

SARATOGA, July 27. —Winners: Miss Lallie, Racine, Philora, Major Joe, Jack Richellen, My Fellow. GLOUGESTER, N. J., July 27. —Winners-Walloc, Robin Hood, Houri, Minnie, Charlie McDonald, Somerset, BEIGETON BEACH, N. Y., July 27.—Win-ners, Under Sam, Appello ners: Uncle Sain, Angelo, Grey Eagle, Eagle Bird, Faithful, Ealus, MONMOUTH PARK, N. J., July 27 -- Win-ners: Raceland, My Lady, Red Banner, Auralian Alay, Oblean Aurelian, Ajax, Quiver.

SOLVENT BUT SUSPENDED. WILMINGTON, Del., July 27.-A receiver has been appointed for the Wilmington General Manufacturing Company. The company is perfectly solvent. The liabilities are \$200,000 and the assets \$615,000. A receiver was asked for by the directors is protect all interests. There are branch offices in Philadelphia, Chicago and Wash

ANNEXED TO ENGLAND. SIDNEY, N. S. W., July 27.—Englands.

A FIGHT FOR A GIRL. LOUISVILLE, July 27 .- Two prominent oung men fought a duel near early yesterday morning. Swift Hunter escorted to a dance at Rose Hill seminary Two shots were fired from revolvers at eighteen paces. Hunter received a flesh wound in the leg. Later the young men determined to decide the issue by fighting

it out with their fists on Thursday next. A COSTLY BLAZE. CLEVELAND, O., July 27 .- The handso residence of Daniel P. Eels, at Riverbank. containing valuable works of art and relics, was burned to the ground last night. The total loss is \$200,000.

A RAILWAY SOLD. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., July 27.-The sale ment company for \$13,000,000 is reported, by the on good authority, to have been consum-mated. The new management, it is said, takes charge on Oct. 1.

HARVEST EXCURSIONS. Passenger association. They will be run to all points in Kausas, Nebraska, Arkan-sos, Texas, Tennessee and Alabama on Aug. 22, Sept. 12 and Oct. 10. The rates will be one fare for the round trip, plus \$2.

WAGE REDUCTION. LOUISVILLE, July 27. - The Louisville and Nashville railway on Monday will reduce the wages of the men in the shops 25 per cent, to reduce expenses. The clerical force also will be reduced. The cause is the general financial condition of the

A STAGE AD. LONDON, July 27.-John Rogers, husband of Minnie Palmer, the well known American actress, has instituted proceedings for

WASHINGTON, July 27 .- The secretary of the interior today made a requisition upon the secretary of the treasury for \$13,500,000 on account of pensions. The money is to be distributed among the second group of agencies, where the quarterly payment begins August 4. Topeka will receive

SUICIDE. ATCHISON, Kan., July 27.-Frank Howard, a manufacturer, committed suicide at noon today at his residence. It is believed that he was crazed by worry over the financial situation. So far as known he was not involved.

A REVEREND FRAUD. PORTLAND, Or, July 27.-Rev. O. D. Taylor, manager of the Interstate Invest-1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 ment company at The Dalles, has been ar-ston, 9; Baltimore, 6 Er. rested on the charge of embezziement. It is alleged that Taylor is short \$50,000 in his SILK MILLS CLOSED.

PATERSON, N. J., July 27.-William T. Strange & Co.'s silk mills have been closed for three weeks. All the silk workers in the Adams mills have been suspended for an indefinite period. Other mills are making reductions, and over 1,000-weavers will be thrown out of work. CIRCUS THIEVES.

passage of a circus parade today thieves stole \$2,500 in money and securities from the safe of A. J. Clemons, a hardware dealer. The thieves escaped. AN ENFORCED VACATION.

OLATHE, Kan., July 27.-During the

WALTHAM, Mass. July 27,-The employes of the Waltham Watch company have been given a vacation of one month in order to reduce expenses. At the end of the month the factory will start with half a force, 1,500 hands being thrown out of

WILL RESUME. The banks will resume.

FAILED TO OPEN. PORTLAND, Or., July 27.-The Oregon National bank and the Northwest Loan

SHOT AND KULED. GUTHRIE, O. T., July 27.-A painter named Brown today shot and killed J. B. Ray, a negro restaurant keeper, over the settlement of a bill. Brown was arrested.

LYNCHED. DRESDEN, Mo., July 27.-Last Friday Edgar Bell (colored) killed Sam White colored), his brother-in-law. At 1 o'clock this morning a masked mob broke into the jail and took Bell and hanged him in

SHORTER HOURS.

NEWARK, N. J., July 27.-The Clark Thread company, employing 1,600 hands, has made a reduction in hours which equals a reduction in pay of about one-third. This action is attributed to the stringency in the money market.

TEMPORARILY CLOSED.

SILVER PURCHASES. Washington, July 27.—The government counter-offer of \$0.702 per ounce has been accepted for 25.000 ounces of the silver of

A LUMBER FAILURE. PHHADELPHIA, July 27—S. H. Morrison, a lumber merchaut, has suspended. The liabilities are \$100,000 and the assets

DULL TRADE. ATTLEBORO, Mass., July 27.—Owing to be extrome duliness in the jewelry trade the manufacturers in Plainville, North Attleboro Fails and this news have closed.

About 3,000 people are affected An operation or injection of carbolic acid are extremely dangerous. To Japanese Pile Cure. Positively guaranteed by Fred Richt, 126 North Main.

His Wife Had Initiated Him.

She-You are always talking about the fashions. Now, honestly, do you think that you would know the latest fashion in hats if you were to enter a He-Certainly.

She-How? He (ruefully)-By looking at the -Boston Globe.

A Square Deal. Two vagrants called on a kind old lady in the suburbs of New York. "To which of you two shall I give this nickel?" she asked.

First Tramp Give it to him, madam. He has purchased the route from me and I am taking him around to introduce him to the customers.-Texas

A Lord of Creation.

Rumson-Yessiree: I'm master in my own house; I can tell you that! Friend-When you and your

don't agree, what do you do? Rumson-Do? I get so mad I just let her have her own way to spite my-

MANTELS AND FIREPLACES.

Some Decorative Effects for Finishing The new mantels for country houses are quite generally to be found in colonial effects, or in a modification of the empire style in white enamel. In the colonial dining rooms the mantelpiece is rather high, finished in graceful, classic designs of gold on a surface of white enamel. The mantel is usually surmounted by a facing of mirrors. This season these mirrors are usually oval, a large oval glass in the center sometimes being flanked on either side by smaller glasses in the same shape. The cabinet overmantel, with its many shelves and recesses for the display of bric-a-brac, is quite a thing of the past in fashionable country houses.

The andirons are now usually made of bright, polished brass. The eccentricities displayed a few years ago of the entire Florida Central and Penin-in "old brass" and oxydized brass sular railway system to the Plant Invest- (which was given the tint of age use of acids) were intro duced chiefly for the sparing of the scouring cloth. Happily for the artistic effect of the fireplace, the bright-polished brass has returned to favor in all CHICAGO, July 27.-Three harvest and its brilliancy. In elaborate parlors, homeseekers' excursions have been ar-ranged for by the roads in the Western as an offering to the lares and penates, and is altogether too elaborate for practical use, the fender, andirons and metal fittings of the grate are often gilded but this gilt will not bear the fire like the honest shining brass, which pretends to be nothing but what it is. seems strange that in the nineteenth century we should be setting up mock fireplaces, but it is in keeping with that most atrocious and unwholesome of all shams, the gas-log fire.

The tendency of the new andirons is to gigantic height and a size which is out of keeping with anything but houses of baronial dimensions. The shortest andirons are those in rococo shape, a mass of eccentric curves, not especially attractive. The simple brass andirons of early colonial and the plain Queen Ann shapes are the ones most used in brass in country houses, with a basket grate, if coal is burned. Black iron and-irons and fenders are used with colonial mantels in the dining-rooms, libraries and country halls. The facing of the fireplace may be chosen in enameled tiles in shaded blue, cream white or pine white, or in any tint of color preferred. The figured tile is seldom used and the pretty Minton tile, which was used for fire-facings several years ago. is superseded by the American tile with its smooth, highly-glazed surface. A mantel facing of marble is often put in handsome maltelpieces. While colonial mantelpieces with facings of pale pink, Numidian marble or of mottled yellow Sienna marble, are effectively set in bright fittings of polished brass. A few mahogany mantelpieces have recently been made in large dimensions in genuine empire style, being direct copies of mantelpieces put up in the period of Napoleon. - Boston Herald.

TWO TYPES.

The French Anglers of Twenty Years Ago

The old type of angler, according to Balzac, was silent, meditative and crusty; his descendant is, on the contrary, loquacious, closely observant of everything but his fly and line, and Who would have dared address the hoary and respected Pierre when in the act of landing-for he really used to land something else be-sides tadpoles and old boots—or when cajoling with a fish from his timehonored corner beneath the Pont Royal? No one, I venture to say, but the sharp-SPARTA, Wis., July 27.—The bank of M. A. Thayer and the Bank of Sparta suspended today to protect their depositers. who has succeeded him, and, what is more, he receives a return volley of repartee garnished with puns.

Old Pierre, who was, perhaps, one of the best-known figures twenty years and Trust company, kindred institutions, the best-known figures twenty years failed to spen up this morning. The with drawal of deposits and inability to realize and supped off his takes of Seine fish. paper, are given as the cause of the which were mostly dace, carp, barbels and tench. He had a varied assortment of recipes in his possession, and many a cordon bleu has received a hint for cooking the finny tribe from this ancient fisherman. No one knew exactly where and how he lived or how he managed to obtain funds for the purchase of bait, yet he was always well supplied with the most expensive f gentles, greaves and paste, kind of where his successor contents himself with roe and ill-made flies.

Except that he has inherited his sta tion, Casimer Raguin is in no sense the successor of old Pierre; indeed, that unwearied, adroit angler would have certainly disowned the man on whose shoulders his mantle has fallen Though discredit has come upon the craft in the past dozen years, yet the Parisians are still experts in the prep-EXETER N. H., July 27.—The Granite aration of the fish caught in the lower tate bank temporarily suspended this or city reaches of the Seine. The dace and gudgeons are fried, soused, marinaded with lemon, cloves and allspice, and the carp are "frizzled," so to speak, in butter, so that I think the king of the cannibal islands himself would be willing to forego his accustomed fare if he were to come within hailing distance of a plate of Parisian friture.-Westminster Review.

A Good Test.

Bishop-How are you succeeding

Struggling Pastor-The standard of morality is rising gradually. 'I am glad to hear that.

"Yes, I am no longer obliged to de-mand cash in advance."—N. Y. Weekly.

"Now, Freddie, my boy." said the oungster's uncle, "what are you going to be when you grow up?" "A great musician

"But you are not practising." "No. But I'm saving up my money o buy hair tonic."—Washington Star. Natural Curiosity

"Jones is looking like a relie, he must have been sick." "Oh, no, that's not it. They're got a new burglar-alarm up at his house and he's been lying awake nights for the last two weeks listening for it."-Detroit Tribune.

-Transferred. - Teacher - "Willie, does your mother know that the buttons are off your coat?" Willie-'Yes'm, and she knows where they are Teacher-"Where are they?" Willie- They are on father's trousers."-Judge.

They Come High, But-Mrs Makeshift-Well, I've found out how to make up my new dress at last. Mr. M .- Then why don't you get the

stuff? Mrs. M .- No money left. It took all I had to buy fashior magazines. -N.

DR. O'KEARNEY'S SHOT.

It Saved the Life of an Indian at the Last Moment.

Exciting Sport by a Retired Officer in the Jungles Near Decean—The Capture of Three Tiger Cubs-Other Dr. Brian O'Kearney, a retired surgeon of the British army in India, has been a guest of the Palace for several days. He has the outward appearance of an old veteran, and the vast fund of anecdote which old travelers are

the San Francisco Examiner he related an experience in the jungle as follows "We fellows on half pay, you know, like a bit of hunting now and then, so when one of my men came to my house near Deccan one morning with the news that a big panther had broken cover, we lost no time in getting up a

apt to have. To a representative of

party of beaters and starting out. The beast turned out to be a pantheress. She had hidden her cubs somewhere and had taken possession of a nulla or ravine only about a mile from the house. The beaters did not care to go up the ravine after they had located the panther, so I took a dog boy and a man to carry my second gun and

"There was not a sound to be heard save our own movements. We had gone about ten rods up the nulla when there was a half growl, half spit, like that of an angry cat, and the big beast jumped out of the bushes within a yard of my

"One of the men was on his knees half under me pulling away the brush; the other was at my left hand with the extra gun. The panther ignored him, but she pulled the dog boy out from between my legs as a cat would a mouse. She took this poor fellow in her mouth, seized the other with her paw and then made for the thick brush

"I confess I was too frightened to stir, but as she passed me she gave me a blow with her great long tail, as much as to say: 'My mouth is full and my paws are busy, but I'll give you one whack just for luck.' That blow sent me spinning down the hill, and that fact sealed the big beast's death warrant. I kept hold of my gun, and when I got to my feet she turned her broadside toward me. The dog boy was



DEOPPED HER IN HER TRACES.

still in her mouth and one paw was on the breast of the other beater, but I pulled a bend on her and dropped her in her tracks.

"By that time the rest of the beaters had came up, howling over the fate of their comrades. We measured that panther and found her eight feet long. It was one of the biggest ever killed in that district. The beaters skinned the beast, and I've got the pelt at my home in India now.

Dr. O'Kearney also related an experience with tigers on the Bombay side. He told how the beaters in that district tracked a tiger by the pugprints, or footmarks, and then lined up to get

the big game at bay. "In this case, however," said the huntsman, "the tiger got between the beaters in the line without anybody getting a shot at her, but we captured three tiger cubs about six weeks old. I held one of these up in my hands and made it whine, thinking perhaps the mother would come back, but we never saw or heard of her again.

"One of these cubs was tamed by Col. Hansen of the army, another was sent to the Zoological garden in London, and I do not remember what became of the third. They weighed about twenty pounds each at the time we got them. They were tigerstriped as pretty as you please, and if they could have forgotten their savage nature they would have made the cunningest kind of playthings."

Dr. O'Kearney, before his retirement from active service, was in the Afghanistan war, in 1879-80. He was with the Sixty-sixth regiment at the battle of Mayand, when that body of troops known as the Kandahar column was hopelessly routed by the overwhelming forces of Ayub Khan. old veteran says that more than half the regiment were killed, and if the Afghans had followed up their advantage not one of the British soldiers would have escaped.

Churches in the Capital.

There is no city in the United States which might be called the city of churches with more appropriateness than Washington. They are not perticularly large, or imposing, these Washington churches, but there are an iramense number of them. As a muster of fact, the capital contains nearly 200 churches-most of these belonging to the Methodist denomination, which claims fifty-two. The Baptists come next with forty-five, then the Episco palians with twenty-six, and the Presbyterians with twenty-one. The Roman Catholics have thirteen, the Lutherans ten, the Congregationalists four, the Hebrews and the Christians two each, and the Universalists and the Swedenborgians one each. Besides these there are half a dozen non-secta-

Not That Kind of a Deity.

"Oh. I think it's lovely to be married," said a young woman to the lady on whom she was calling. "Especially when you have a husband who is not afraid to compliment you. What does your husband say?"

"He said yesterday that I was getting to be a perfect Xantippe." 'A Xantippe! Do you know who she "Oh, yes: I asked Charley afterward,

and he told me she was the goddes of routh and beauty."-Texas Siftings.

a woman must keep her health. All the "beauti-fiers" in the world won't do as much for you as Dr. Fierce's Favorite Pre-scription. With that, you can see the good that's done, as well as feel it. That regulates all the wo-manly functions, improves your digestion, enriches your blood, brings re-

mainly functions, improves your digestion, enriches your blood, brings refreshing sleep, and builds up, strengthens, and repairs every part of your system.

In every one of the "female complaints" and weaknesses that make women old and miserable, the "Prescription" will certainly cure. It's the only guaranteed remedy. If it doesn't benefit or cure, in the case of every weak or suffering woman, she'll have her money back.

You pay only for the good you get.

There's the very best evidence that Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy will cure your Catarrh. It's this promise, made by the makers of the medicine: "If your Catarrh can't be cared, no matter what your case is, we'll seen your 5500."

PITH AND POINT.

-"Yes, we sent Archie out west to grow up with the country." "And did he?" "No; he went up with it."-Kate "And did Field's Washington.

-It is bad enough to break party ties, but it isn't half so embarrassing as to have them work around under your ears.-Texas Siftings.

-Perfumes and Prejudice .- A queer thing about perfumes is, that the same thing that makes a woman fragrant makes a man just smell.-Truth. -Dabbs-"You act as if you were afraid of killing these mosquitoes."

Whacks-"I am; you forget we have the same blood in our veins."-Inter-Ocean. come to it, but when it acts as though

it had a mortgage on the night and raises its voice in song the line is drawn with a shotgun.-Washington Star. -Jinks-"Do you approve of mar riage with a deceased wife's sister?" Binks—"Certainly I do." Jinks—"And why, may I ask?" Binks-"Because of

saving in mothers-in-law."-Funny Folks. -"Dev am on'v one thing," says Uncle Mose, "dat keeps a po' mizbl sinnah f'm gittin' too mizbl to live, an' dat am knowin' dat all de odder po' sin-

ners is wuss dan he is."-Indianapolis Journal. -Waiter-"You've forgotten something, sir." Mr. Nervous-"Dear me, how stupid of me. Here's a quarter. Now, what was it that I had forgot-

ten?" "The quarter you just gave me, sir."-King's Jester. -The Aeme-Mrs. Blenkensop-"Isn't it awful? Helen Harker has married a man that plays poker." Mr. Blenkensop-"Might have done worse. Might have married a man who thinks he can play poker."-Judge.

-Dinkle-"It's a strange thing to me how a short man always wants a tall girl." Dunkle-"Humph! It's a strange thing to me how a short man wants any girl. I'm blamed if I do when I'm short. Buffalo Courier. -They were speaking of supersti-tions, and Mrs. Dix said: "What is it a

sign of to have the family cat howl outside at night?" "Of a death in the fam-Ily if the man is a good shot," replied Mr. Dix, emphatically.-Frank Leslie's. -"Papa," said Johnny Curaso, "why is it called the mother tongue instead of the father tongue?" "I'll tell you some other time, Johnny," replied Mr.

Cumso in a whisper as he glanced to where Mrs. Cumso was sitting within earshot.-N. Y. Sun. -He Was Soused .- "Scuse me," he said to the other passenger on the rear platform of a Michigan avenue car, "but do you use tobacco?" "Yes, sir," was the prompt reply of the man as he turned his head and kept his hands folded in front of him. Nothing more was said for ten minutes, and then the inquirer coolly drew a plug from his cont-tail pocket and calmly said: "So do I-have a chaw!"-Detroit Free

A MONETARY CONFERENCE.

The Adjournment Thereof Wasa Source of "Julia," said Mr. Piver the other morning while sitting at the breakfast table waiting for his coffee to cool,

"Julia, let's have a monetary confer-Mrs. Pilver is treasurer of the estab lishment, and the suggestion immediately attracted her attention.

"A monetary conference, James?" "Yes," said Mr. Pilver, with an inane "Something like they have just had in Brussels, you know.

"Well, we will pretend to be countries, you know. You can be France and I'll be-let's see, I'll be"-"Russia." suggested Mrs. Pilver, with great significance. Yes, Russia-Russia, of course,"

said Mr. Pilver, nervously. "Well?" "Well, then, Russia would like to negotiate a loan with France. Not a large loan, you know, although it is the custom for nations to deal in large

sums of money, but say-"I didn't know that they negotiated loans at the Brussels conference, though," interrupted France.

"They didn't," admitted Russi, "but of course they could have done so. What good would a monetary conference be. I'd like to know, if money couldn't be borrowed at it? But, as I said. Russia asks only a small loansay a half sovereign until Saturday. Did I understand you to say, James, that you wanted this conference to be as much alike the Brussels conference

as possible?" quietly asked France. 'Yes," said Russia, hopefully "Then I declare it adjourned until ext summer." said France, decisively, When Mr. Pilver sadly turned his attention to his temporarily-peglected offee he saw that a thin crust of ice had formed upon it -N. Y. Becorder.

A Logical Charge

Re-I see the man who saturated his wife's mother with kerosene, then set her afire, and called in the neighbors to look on has been convicted of mur-

She-The plea of insanity didn't work then? He-No, the judge charged the jury that nobody but a man of sound wind would do such a thing. - Pittsburgh

A Hard Place. First Store Boy-How do you like your new place? Second Store Boy-Don't like it. If I don't do things right, they'll keep me

Dispatch.

TO KEEP HER YOUTH, WAITERS AND WHISKERS

the Days of Solomon.

The Custom of Shaving Among Servants Made Compulsory in England-Wealthy Americans Follow

The row which the waiters and hack drivers kicked up the other day when it was proposed to rob them of their beards and mustaches is a new evidence of humanity's progress toward equality. Their success knocked down another old idol, for a smooth face has been used as a badge of servitude since the time King Solomon contracted the habits of marrying three times a day

and making promiseuous proverbs.

Kings from Solomon and David down through ancient and medieval and modern history always required their servants to take the first drink from every bottle of wine, as a precaution against poison. The personal servant of the king in early history always had to have a clean-shaven face, says the New York Press.

The servants, and especially the personal servants of all monarchs and high dignitaries, have always worn beardless faces, while their masters in aucient days always wore beards. The medieval ages were well under way before any man of high position went without whiskers.

In the latter part of the last century and the early part of this the distinction in dress between the master and the servant in England was actually less conspicuous than it has been for the last fifty years. When men commenced to adopt the long, full-legged trousers, to abandon the wig and to wear full beards, they made their personal men servants continue to obs the old styles. Their coachmen must wear horse-hair wigs, smooth face and knee breeches-the horse-hair making the head look full behind, the clean-shaven face giving the appearance of youth and the fat calves an aspect of prosperity. While some of the features of this

gaudy, picturesque livery have been abandoned in all the best English houses, the clean-shaven face is to-day steadily required, not only of the coachman and butler but of all household servants, with the possible exception of the gardener. It was not until about twenty-seven years ago, however, that the custom of requiring liverymen to wear clean-shaven faces was observed at all in New York About that time August Belmont, Edward Mathews and J. G. Bennett put their stables and coaches in charge of Englishmen and Scotchmen. These imported servants put the custom in vogue in this city. Up to that time the oachman of even the wealthiest fami-Besin the city sat in their boxes without uniform or livery and wore his beard or didn't, as he pleased. In a very few years thereafter there was not a wealthy family in town whose coachman did not have to observe the cus

The idea of smooth-faced waiters came here with the Europeanizing of American hotels. Ten years ago there was no such iron-clad rule in any of the New York hotels and restaurants. Then all the waiters at Delmon ico's were required to shave off their beards and clean-shaving became the rule in nearly all the leading houses in

It is interesting to know that, while this custom came from England, growing out of the smooth-faced Engish house servants, the hotel waiters in Europe have not complied with it with much patience. In fact in some of the best hotels in London and on the continent the waiters have forced their employers to allow them to wear their beards. Thus It is seen that American hotel-keepers tried to

copy their English models At a banquet in Vienna one Austrian nobleman bet another a thousand marks that he could have the proprietor make the waiters shave their beards. The proprietor refused. and told the gentleman he must go elsewhere if he could not stand the mustachies of the waiters. This was regarded as a great victory for the

waiters in the Vienna hotel.

TERRA FIRMA.

The Resistance of the Earth's Surface to Deformation A very large part of the educated public believes that the earth is a molten globe, superficially enveloped by a chilled crust, and a magazine article in support of such a theory has recently attracted much attention. Very many of the natural philosophers consider it most probable that the rocks at and near the surface of the globe would expand in melting. If the earth were thus constituted a time would come when the solid crust would crack from its own weight, or from some moderate internal disturbance, and then block after block of the crust, gion after region of the world we know and love so well, would plunge slowly and heavily to meet the ising, moiten flood, while whirlwinds of scalding steam would shroud perishing humanity.

Aside from ignoble fears, there seems scarcely any topic better suited to excite a legitimate intellectual interest among men than this most fundamental question concerning that little planet, our world. Is it a molten globe, with a pellicle of cool dry land. or is it really terra firms, a solid earth:

The public may accept the theory of terra firms in peace, as all the arguments which have not been shown to scratching up your yard." be inconclusive or fulse indicate that the earth presents a resistance to deformation about as great as if it were a solid steel ball, and that it actually is solid to, or nearly to, the center. it has been subjected near the surface are enormous, and their amount is sel- know."-N. Y. Weekly.

dom appreciated, by asmonomers of physicists; but these deformations have been produced for the most part by the "flow of solids," and there is no They Have Been Separated Since known incompatibility between such distortions and the theory of a solid earth. — George F. Becker, in North American Review.

THE DOORBELL

Character of People Can Be Told by the Way They Ring.

Doorbells are pretty good in of character. Probably you have not been conscious of it, but every time you pull a doorbell you register what manner of man you are. not tell everything about you, from the color of your eyes to your taste in flowers, but to those who know the signs the doorbell is as good as a title

Anyone who has had occasion to answer doorbells knows how much difference there is in them. One person's method varies very little from time to time, though the difference between that method and somebody else, while slight, will be sufficiently well marked. It is seldom that two rings are exactly

alike. The housewife recognizes each-the impatient man, who pulls the bell twice in quick succession, and does not wait long before trying it again; the one of more phlegmatic temperament, whose ring is slower and more substantial, the hesitating woman who draws the knob out in a succession of nervous jerks; the seedy individual with matches to sell, who stretches the wire carefully to its full length, and then allow it to relax with a faint, apologetic tinkle; and the jolly friend knows he is welcome, and therefore grasps the knob with a bearty swing that is fairly eloquent with good nature, and sets the bell shaking its sides with such peals of echoing laughter that it positively can not stop at once, but subsides gradually with a merry. irrepressible little titter. A door bell has as many voices as visitors -- Yan-

An Immense Dining Table.

The largest dining table in New York is the one that fills the main private dining-room on the upper floor of the Union League club. It is so large that thirty-five men have been seated at it without discomfert, and thirty men find plenty of elbow-room around its edge. The custom is to beap the middle of it with flowers and then to trail sprigs of smilax out from the floral mound towards the various seats. This enormous table has a top surface of about two hundred and eighty square feet and is nearly twenty feet long by fifteen and a half feet broad. It is in reality too large. No conversation can be carried on from one side to the other, and when a party is seated around it the men break up into a number of local groups and communicate with distant friends by pantomimic signs and approving nods when they fail to hear what is shouted to them .- St Louis Globe-Democrat.

Hitting All Around. On one occasion in a western town the editor of the country paper was a character witness in a suit by a tricky official against a ward politician libel, and the editor didn't like either

one of them. "Did you ever say in your paper that the plaintiff was a thief?"

"Haven't you said the defendant was s person entirely untruthful?" "Not entirely." "Ah, you believe then that he is

"I know of one time when he told the absolute truth." "Will you state when that was? "Certainly, it was when he called the

plaintiff a lier and a scoundrel." Why He Was Neglected Fanny-Why, Tommy, you have god your jacket on wrong side out. Wann't

your mother at home when you dreuse yourself? Tommy-Naw; she is attending a con vention for the relief of neglected chil-

dran .- Texas Siftings.

No Need of Marm. Mistress—It appears to me that you are enterteining a good many male call ers in the kitchen New Girl-Yes'm: but you needs't be

scared, mum. I sin't going to marry, any of 'em. -N. Y. Weekly. Handlessport. Quilpin-I fear I shall never got on

in literature.

you know."

thing accepted before long. Quilpin-Oh, you don't know he am handicapped! The editors feel for me, but they are powerless. Friend-What is the tremble?

Friend-Cheer up; you will get some

Quilpin-Alast I have no middle name.-Puck Gummey-Miss Kittish's beauty is quite intesicating

Gianders That is because she smile! o often -Truth. Mr. Suburb-What on earth are you trying to do, neighbor? Mr. Nexdoor-Merely taking down al

little of this fence, so that I can move my chickencoop over into your yard. Eh? My yard?" "Yes, I like to be neighborly and considerate to other people's feelings,

But er-" "Yes, you sha'n't have any mon eause to complain about my all "But you are moving your

coop over on to my property "That's the idea. Quick as the chiefel ens find their coop in your yard, they'll conclude that you own them, The permanent deformations to which and will spend the rest of their natural lives scratching in my yard, you

